

REMARKS

Please find the following enclosed with this paper:

- 1) a paper copy of the Substituted Sequence Listing.
- 2) a computer readable (diskette) copy of the Sequence Listing.
- 3) the required Sequence Listing statement.
- 4) a copy of the "Notice to Comply" with sequence listing requirements.
- 5) an associate power of attorney.

Applicant wishes to express gratitude to the Examiner for the help rendered in a telephone conversation with the undersigned patent agent on March 31, 2003. In that conversation the Examiner clarified what were deemed to be the defects with the previously submitted Sequence Listing. The Examiner indicated that the previously submitted diskette was unreadable and that the current Application had not been properly amended to include the required Sequence Listing.

In view of the current amendment to the Specification and the items enclosed herewith, Applicant believes the instant Application to be in full compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. Accordingly, reconsideration of the instant Application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent agent at (713) 787-1589 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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